

Also, petition of R. H. Hartley, Dr. C. D. Woodruff, and A. C. Dickenson, in favor of a constitutional amendment prohibiting polygamy—to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. SNOOK: Resolution of the Loyal League of the United States, favoring the placing of Maj. Peter I. Osterhaus on the retired list of the Army with the rank he held at the close of the rebellion—to the Committee on Military Affairs.

By Mr. VAN DUZER: Petition of James C. Dahlman and 9 other shippers of live stock, members of the South Omaha Live Stock Exchange, favoring the enactment into law of bill H. R. 13778, known as the "Hearst bill"—to the Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce.

By Mr. VANDIVER: Papers to accompany bill granting an increase of pension to John J. James—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. WEEMS: Petition and papers to accompany bill H. R. 16713, granting a pension to William Cannon—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. WYNN: Petition of 10 members of the South Omaha (Nebr.) Live Stock Exchange, favoring the enactment into law of bill H. R. 13778, known as the "Hearst bill"—to the Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce.

SENATE.

MONDAY, December 19, 1904.

Rev. EDWARD E. HALE, the Chaplain of the Senate, offered the following prayer:

*They shall call His name Jesus, for he shall save His people from their sins * * *. His name shall be called Emmanuel, which, being interpreted, is God with us.*

Let us pray. Even so, Father, He comes to save us from our sins. Thou art pleased to reveal Thyself to us in Him. And to-day we pray Thee for our homes and for this festival which we are to celebrate together, the festival of home, that Thou wilt be with Thy servants wherever they go, wherever they are, in this commemoration of a Savior's birth. With our fathers and mothers, our brothers and sisters, our little children, with all that makes home glad and happy, be present, Thou, the Father, in the midst of Thy children, that we may have Thy love for our love, Thy strength for our weakness, Thy wisdom for our direction. Go with us wherever we go; stay with us wherever we are.

And for this country we pray, that she may know what are the blessings of a Christian State, that these States may be bound together as brothers and sisters are bound together in one tie, that our rulers may be peace, that our exactors may be righteousness, and this that loving country whose God is the Lord. We ask it in Christ Jesus.

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is done in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

NAMING A PRESIDING OFFICER.

Mr. PERKINS called the Senate to order and the Secretary read the following communication:

WASHINGTON, December 16, 1904.

To the United States Senate:

I hereby appoint the senior Senator from California, Mr. PERKINS, to perform the duties of the chair during my absence.

WILLIAM P. FRYE,
President pro tempore.

Mr. PERKINS thereupon took the chair as Presiding Officer and directed that the Journal be read.

THE JOURNAL.

The Secretary proceeded to read the Journal of the proceedings of Friday last, when, on request of Mr. GALLINGER, and by unanimous consent, the further reading was dispensed with.

ADJOURNMENT TO WEDNESDAY.

Mr. GALLINGER. I move that when the Senate adjourns to-day it adjourn until Wednesday next.

The motion was agreed to.

[A message in writing from the President of the United States was delivered to the Senate by Mr. FORSTER, one of his secretaries.]

ENROLLED BILLS SIGNED.

A message from the House of Representatives, by Mr. W. J. BROWNING, its Chief Clerk, announced that the Speaker of the House had signed the following enrolled bills and joint resolution:

An act (S. 183) granting an increase of pension to John W. Currier;

An act (S. 216) granting an increase of pension to Nelson Wells;

An act (S. 922) granting an increase of pension to William S. Devlin;

An act (S. 1421) granting an increase of pension to Charles L. Houghton;

An act (S. 1576) granting an increase of pension to Emily M. J. Cooley;

An act (S. 1994) granting an increase of pension to Isabella Chivington;

An act (S. 2414) granting an increase of pension to Elise Habercorn;

An act (H. R. 6498) to amend an act entitled "An act to authorize Washington and Westmoreland counties, in the State of Pennsylvania, to construct and maintain a bridge across the Monongahela River, in the State of Pennsylvania," approved February 21, 1903; and

Joint resolution (H. J. Res. 158) for the relief of Julius A. Kaiser.

Mr. KEAN. I move that the Senate adjourn.

The motion was agreed to; and (at 12 o'clock and 4 minutes p. m.) the Senate adjourned until Wednesday, December 21, 1904, at 12 o'clock meridian.

CONFIRMATIONS.

Executive nominations confirmed by the Senate December 12, 1904.

POSTMASTERS.

ILLINOIS.

Moses C. Thomas to be postmaster at Homer, in the county of Champaign and State of Illinois.

MICHIGAN.

William T. Hosner to be postmaster at Romeo, in the county of Macomb and State of Michigan.

William C. Mertz to be postmaster at St. Charles, in the county of Saginaw and State of Michigan.

Louis H. Tovatt to be postmaster at Standish, in the county of Arenac and State of Michigan.

Herman A. Wyckoff to be postmaster at Pontiac, in the county of Oakland and State of Michigan.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

MONDAY, December 19, 1904.

The House met at 12 o'clock m.

Prayer by the Chaplain, Rev. HENRY N. COUDEN, D. D.

The Journal of the proceedings of Friday, December 16, 1904, was read and approved.

ADJOURNMENT UNTIL WEDNESDAY.

Mr. PAYNE. Mr. Speaker, I move that when the House adjourns to-day it adjourn to meet on Wednesday next.

The question was taken, and the motion was agreed to.

HOUSE BILLS WITHOUT AMENDMENT PASSED.

The following House bills, reported from the Committee of the Whole House, were ordered to be engrossed and read a third time, read the third time, and passed:

H. R. 11664. A bill to reimburse the Illinois Central Railroad Company for damage to union depot at Louisville, Ky., by blasting in the Ohio River;

H. R. 3109. A bill for the relief of Noah Dillard;

H. R. 3619. A bill for the relief of David B. Howell;

H. R. 6351. A bill to pay J. B. McRae \$99 for services as hospital steward, etc.;

H. R. 3950. A bill for the relief of W. R. Akers, of Alliance, Nebr.;

H. R. 9758. A bill for the relief of the heirs of George McGhehey for services rendered as mail contractor;

H. R. 11370. A bill to relieve the Italian-Swiss Agricultural Colony from the internal-revenue tax on certain spirits destroyed by fire;

H. R. 2052. A bill for the relief of Ramon O. Williams and Joseph A. Springer;

H. R. 6375. A bill for the relief of the executors of the estate of Henry Lee, deceased;

H. R. 10089. A bill for the relief of R. D. Ashford, of Lockport, Niagara County, N. Y.;

H. R. 9091. A bill to provide United States registry for the steamer *Marie*; and

H. R. 9090. A bill to provide United States register for the steamer *Success*.